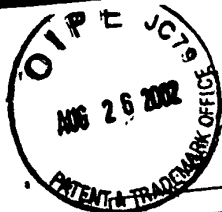


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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>		Case No. 9281/3703
Serial No. 09/611,717	Filing Date July 6, 2000	Group Art Unit 1732
Inventor(s) Kikuchi et al.		
Title of Invention Plastic Optical Fiber End Face Treatment Method and Treatment Device		

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Response to Restriction/Election Requirement.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
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Total add'l fee	\$

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For Plastic optical Fiber End Face Treatment Method  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the examiner's phone call June 21, 2002, placing a restriction/election on the above referenced application; applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-5.

Respectfully submitted,

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